



The Torch

KANSAS WING CIVIL AIR PATROL CADET ENCAMPMENT

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Special points of interest:

- Cosmosphere

TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

- Cosmosphere
- Motivational Training

The Command Staff strikes a pose for the camera at the Cosmosphere.



By the PAO Staff

An early wake up, a hearty breakfast, and off they went. On Thursday, the Kansas Wing Encampment went to Hutchinson, to visit the Cosmosphere. Vans left the barracks at 0700 and arrived with time to spare for a trip to Walmart. The cadets were able to purchase items needed to finish out the week or a snack to keep them awake through the Cosmosphere tours. The convoy finally arrived for their first appointment at the Cosmosphere—an IMAX presentation of The Space Station. A round of applause was given as the movie started because Tom Cruise was the narrator. Cadets were allowed to relax throughout the day, even if that meant a cat-nap here and there. After the movie, cadets, staff, and senior members were given scavenger hunt worksheets. The staff challenged the cadets to be the first to turn in a completed worksheet. They were then released to find the answers to questions like: "How much money did the Germans use to develop the V2 rocket," and "who was the first American in space?" After this educational experience, sack lunches were handed out in the

vans. Cadets then moved back inside the Cosmosphere to prepare for Dr. Goddard's Lab. This was an action packed demonstration that allowed the cadets to witness some of the experiments Dr. Robert Goddard did while developing his liquid rocket fuel. After the laboratory, the encampment made its way to the Planetarium where they saw pictures from Hubble Space Craft. Many cadets caught some additional sleep on their way back to Wing Headquarters.

After an educational day and a wonderful meal, the cadets participated in some motivational training and prepared for the last training day.

"Cadets, we have one more full day. Hang in there, and stay motivated. Good luck," said C/Capt Carney.



C/TSgt Kelly and Delta Flight do PT before SAREX, Wednesday.

"Say what you mean, mean what you say, but don't say it mean."

—Anonymous

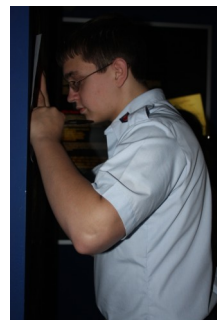
Support staff uses their off duty time to catch some Zzzz's.



Cadets group together for a picture at the Cosmosphere.



C/TSgt Schwanke records some answers on his scavenger hunt worksheet.





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A Victim in the Field

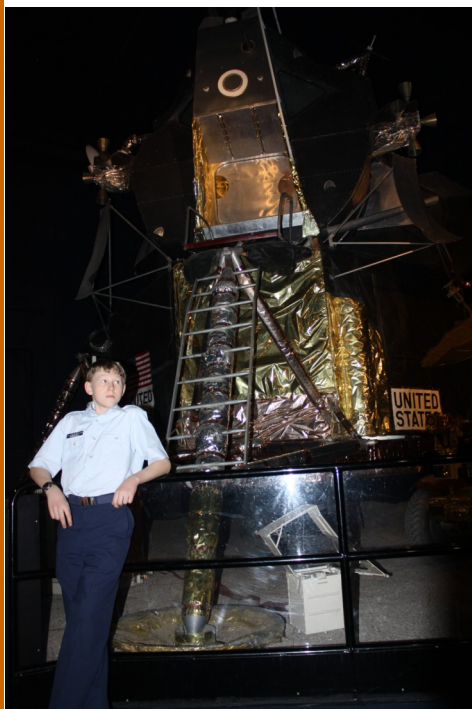
By C/SSgt Roarty

"Find! Halt the flight!" yells a small cadet who has just discovered where a "victim" is located. The victims were positioned in the field and waited to be discovered by cadets. The Mounted Patrol taught cadets how to line search. It is often cold, damp, and quiet as the victims lay waiting for their rescuers. During that time, one may find entertainment in creating camouflage to make it more of a challenge, or possibly building a small shelter to keep warm. These volunteers played a key role in making the search and rescue experience more realistic for the cadets.

C/Lt Col Edwards stayed in his lean to hiding from the line search crew for about two hours before cadets found him on Wednesday. Bravo Flight was the group the found him. He was glad to finally be able to warm up back at Incident Command Headquarters.



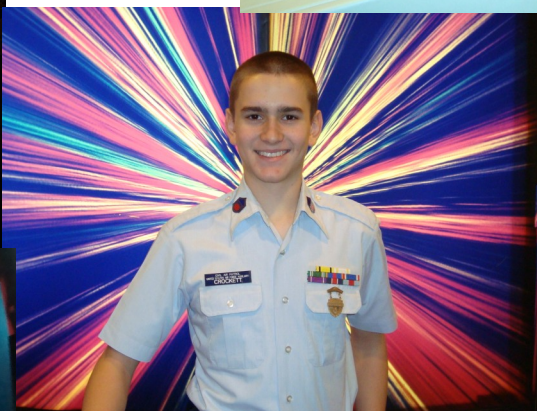
C/A1C Ramsdell poses by the Lunar Lander.



Cadets from Charlie Flight play "Mission Control" in the space museum.



C/MSgt Crockett poses in front of a star burst picture near the entrance of the IMAX theater at the Cosmosphere.



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C/Marble reflects on a sculpture of President Kennedy in the Space Museum.

"A man too busy to take care of his health is like a mechanic too busy to take care of his tools."

—Spanish proverb